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1. SUMMARY: ATC SPECIALISTS IN AUSTRIAN FEDERAL CIVIL AVIATION
OFFICE WOULD LIKE TO VISIT US ATC FACILITIES IN WASHINGTON
AND ATLANTIC CITY APRIL 25-26. DEPARTMENT'S ASSISTANCE REQUESTED
IN MAKING APPROPRIATE ARRANGEMENTS WITH FAA. END SUMMARY.

2. DURING CALL ON DR. FRIEDRICH LANG, PRESIDENT, AUSTRIAN
FEDERAL CIVIL AVIATION OFFICE, ON APRIL 12, STRAUSS LEON
(DIRECTOR, STRATEGIC INDUSTRIAL PRODUCT SALES GROUP, BIC,
USDOC) REPEATED FAA INVITATION TO AUSTRIANS TO VISIT ATC
FACILITIES IN THE U.S. LANG CALLED EMBASSY APRIL 13 TO
STATE THAT, WHILE IT WOULD NOT BE POSSIBLE (FOR BUDGETARY
REASONS) FOR OFFICIALS TO MAKE A SEPARATE TRIP TO THE U.S.
IN THE NEAR FUTURE, TWO FEDERAL CIVIL AVIATION OFFICE OFFICIALS
ATTENDING NINTH AIR NAVIGATION CONGRESS IN MONTREAL COULD
VISIT U.S. DURING APRIL 24-27.

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3. THE TWO OFFICIALS ARE ING. ERICH HEYSSLER (ATC TECHNICAL SPECIALIST) AND HEINRICH FRITZ (ATC PLANNING CONTROLLER). BOTH PLAN TO ARRIVE IN NEW YORK LATE ON APRIL 24, PRITZ FROM EUROPE, HEYSSLER FROM MONTREAL. THEY WOULD BE FREE TO VISIT FAA FACILITIES APRIL 25-26 BUT MUST ARRIVE IN MONTREAL ON APRIL 27 AT THE LATEST.

4. HEYSSLER AND PRITZ WOULD BE PARTICULARLY INTERESTED IN SEEING FAA AREA CONTROL CENTER (ACC) IN WASHINGTON DC AREA, WHICH AUSTRIANS FEEL MIGHT BE MORE SIMILAR TO THEIR OWN SITUATION THAN ACC SERVING EXTREMELY CONGESTED NEW YORK AREA. THEY WOULD ALSO LIKE TO VISIT FAA EXPERIMENTAL CENTER (NAFEC) IN ATLANTIC CITY, NEW JERSEY. VISIT TO ACC IN NEW YORK WOULD BE WELCOME BUT OF RELATIVELY LOWER PRIORITY.

5. ACTION REQUESTED. DEPARTMENT IS REQUESTED TO SEE WHETHER FAA COULD ARRANGE FOR VISITS TO ABOVE-MENTIONED FACILITIES ON APRIL 25-26, INCLUDING REPEAT INCLUDING PROVISION OF TRANSPORTATION WITHIN U.S. (NEW YORK - WASHINGTON - ATLANTIC CITY - NEW YORK). PLEASE ALSO SUGGEST POINT OF CONTACT IN NEW YORK. EMB RECOGNIZES AND REGRETS THAT VISIT WILL BE OF NECESSITY BRIEF AND TAKE PLACE OVER WEEKEND. NEVERTHELESS, WE BELIEVE IT IMPORTANT TO OUR EFFORTS TO PROMOTE SALE OF U.S. ATC HARD AND SOFTWARE TO GIVE GOA OPPORTUNITY FOR ON-THE-SPOT INSPECTION OF FACILITIES IN THIS FIELD.

6. PLEASE ADVISE.BUCHANAN

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